

Houston Community College Police Department 2013 Texas Racial Profile Report



Introduction

Police officers employed by the HCC Police Department may not engage in racial profiling. ¹

A peace officer who stops a motor vehicle for an alleged violation of a law or ordinance is required to document:

- 1) Physical description of any person operating the motor vehicle who is detained as a result of the stop, including:
 - a. Gender
 - b. Race or Ethnicity
- 2) Initial reason for the stop;
- 3) Whether the officer conducted a search as a result of the stop, and if so, whether the person detained consented to the search;
- 4) Whether any contraband or other evidence was discovered in the course of the search and a description of the contraband or evidence;
- 5) The reason for the search;
- 6) Whether the officer made an arrest;
- 7) Location of the stop;
- 8) Whether the officer issued a written warning or a citation as a result of the stop. ²

"Race or ethnicity" means of a particular descent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, Native American, or Middle Eastern descent. 3

Not later than March 1 of each year, the Department submits a report containing the incident-based data compiled during the previous year to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement and the HCC Board of Trustees.

Data Sources

Police activity was documented in racial profile reports completed by officers after any citation or field interview. The data is stored in the Department's records management and computer assisted dispatch system.

Demographics for the HCC Service Area were reported in the <u>HCC Fact Book 2012-2013</u> which is published by HCC Institutional Research.

2013 Total Stops & Justification

¹ Article 2.131, <u>Racial Profiling Prohibited</u>, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; HCC Board Policy B.2.2.1 <u>College Police Department</u>; HCC PD General Order 122 <u>Racial Profiling</u>.

² Article 2.133, Reports Require for Motor Vehicle Stops.

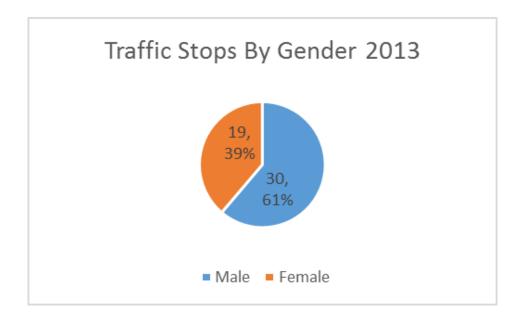
³ Article 2.132 (a)(3), Law Enforcement Policy on Racial Profiling.

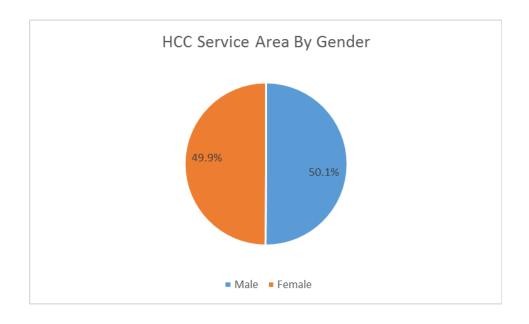
49 Traffic Stops were conducted during calendar year 2013.

The reason for traffic stops is summarized below. The data shows 36 or 74% of traffic stops were initiated after the driver committed a traffic violation.



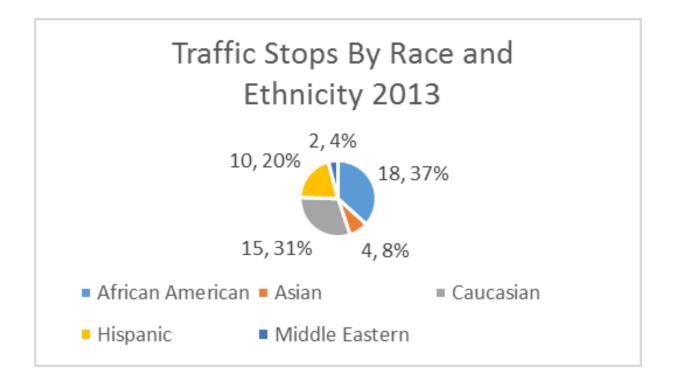
2013 Comparison By Gender

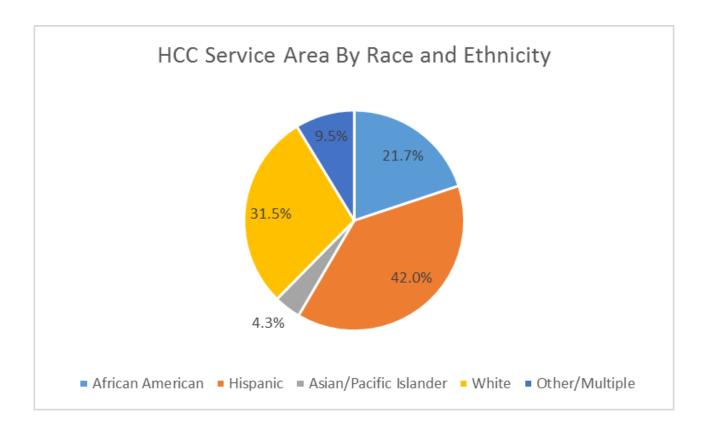




The data shows males were stopped more often than females compared to their proportion of the population in the HCC Service Area.

2013 Comparison By Race and Ethnicity





Proportionately all race and ethnic groups were stopped less frequently than compared to their proportion of the population in the HCC Service Area.

Record of Complaints

During calendar year 2013, one unsustained complaint was filed with the Department that alleged a peace officer employed by the Department engaged in racial profiling.

Data Reported to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

2013 data reported to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement is summarized on the next page.

Gender	Male	30
	Female	19
	TOTAL	49
Race or Ethnicity	African American	18
	Asian	4
	Caucasian	15
	Hispanic	10
	Middle Eastern	2
	TOTAL	49
R/E Prior to Stop	Yes	2
	No	47
	TOTAL	49
Reason for Stop	Violation Other Than Traffic	12
	Warrant	0
Soarch Conducted	Moving Traffic	34
	Nonmoving Traffic	3
	TOTAL	49
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Search Conducted	Yes	0
	No	49
	TOTAL	
Reason for Search	Consent	^
	Plain View	0
	Probable Cause	0
	Inventory	0
	Incident to Arrest	0
	TOTAL	0
	TOTAL	
Contraband Discovered?	Yes	0
Contragally Discovered:	No	49
	TOTAL	-13
Type of Contraband	Illegal Drugs/Paraphernalia	0
	Currency	0
	Weapons	0
	Alcohol	0
	Stolen Property	0
	Other	0
	TOTAL	0
Arrest Result of Stop	Yes	0
	No	49
	TOTAL	49
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Arrest Based On:	Penal Code	0
	Traffic Law	0
	City Ordinance	0
	Warrant	0
	TOTAL	0
Written Warning or Citation?	Yes	43
written warning of citation:	No	43
	TOTAL	49
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		50.1%
Service Area Demographics By Gender	Male	30.170
Service Area Demographics By Gender	Male Female	
	Female	49.9%
Service Area Demographics By Gender Service Area Demographics By Ethnicity	Female African American	49.9% 21.7%
	Female African American Hispanic	49.9% 21.7% 42.0%
	Female African American	49.9% 21.7% 42.0% 4.3% 31.5%